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In re Application of:)	
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HIROFUMI KANAI)	Group Art Unit: 2131
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Application No.: 10/779,633)	Examiner: Unknown
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING)	
SYSTEM AND INFORMATION)	
PROCESSING METHOD)	

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant is resubmitting herewith for the Examiner's consideration the document listed on the Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") filed February 18, 2004. This IDS is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Applicant is resubmitting because the PTO-1449 form accompanying the February 18 IDS was returned to the undersigned attorney's law firm among papers of an entirely unrelated patent application also being prosecuted by the law firm, with the initials and signature of the Examiner in the unrelated application.

Therefore, to ensure proper consideration of the listed document in the present application, Applicant resubmits the document herewith.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed document and indicate that it was considered by making an appropriate notation on the attached form.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the non-English language document:

Japanese Publication No. 2001-242965 is discussed on page 2 of the present application.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed document is material or constitutes "prior art." If the Examiner applies the document as prior art against any claim in the application and applicant determines that the cited document does not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicant reserves the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of the document.

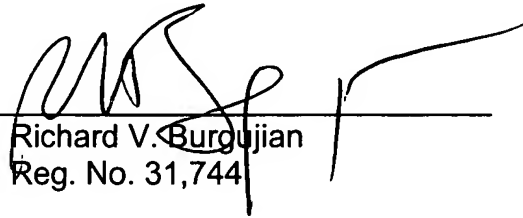
Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed document, should the document be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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2001-242965	9/7/01	Japan			No

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